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Ariel Rios Building (South Oval Lobby)
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Dear EIS Review Coordinator:

In accordance with 40 CFR 1506.9, I am uploading an electronic copy of the *Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) and Record of Decision for the Mt. Bachelor Ski Area Improvements Project* to the EPA Central Data Exchange electronic filing site, so that a Notice of Availability (NOA) may be filed in the Federal Register. I am requesting a publication date for the NOA of February 15, 2013. I am also sending a public notification letter of FEIS availability to commenting agencies and to those who commented on the DEIS. The FEIS is also available from the internet at:
http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=35863. A notice that the document has been released and is available will appear in the newspaper of record (*The Bulletin*, Bend, Oregon).

The Forest Service is the agency responsible for preparing the FEIS. John Allen, Forest Supervisor for the Deschutes National Forest, is the responsible official for this project.

Amy Tinderholt, Recreation, Lands, and Special Uses Team Leader for the Bend-Fort Rock Ranger District, is responsible for the contents and distribution of the FEIS. Please contact her at 541-383-4708 for answers to any questions related to this document. Also please contact her at to confirm EPA has received the FEIS and to confirm publication date.

Sincerely,

/s/ Kevin Larkin
KEVIN LARKIN
District Ranger

cc: Susan Skakel

